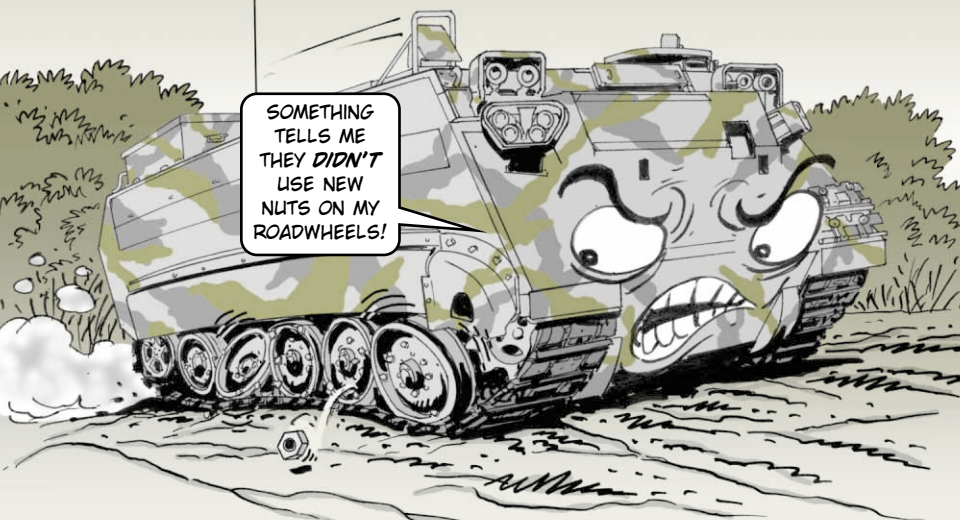


Replace Nuts Every Time



Just because money is tight is no reason to cut corners on repairs for your M113-series vehicle.

Take the self-locking nuts, NSN 5310-00-982-6809, used to mount the vehicle roadwheels and idler wheels, for instance. Some mechanics try to save money by reusing the nuts when installing a new wheel.

That's a bad idea. Those nuts have nylon inserts that mold themselves to the bolt threads during installation.

Once the nuts are removed, the inserts are ruined and the nuts will no longer lock. At best, you end up with a wobbly wheel. At worst, the wheel falls off completely during operation.

If you want to save a few pennies, reuse the flat washers, NSN 5310-00-149- 9126, that go under the roadwheel and idler wheel nuts. But **never** use self-locking nuts more than once.

